

DIRECTIVE

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREAS
CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIALS
CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD STAFF
WID STAFF

SUBJECT: 2000 70 PERCENT LLSIL AND 2000 POVERTY GUIDELINES **(INACTIVE)**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Purpose:

This directive issues the current Year 2000, 70 percent Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) published by the Secretary of Labor in the Federal Register on May 12, 2000, and the Year 2000 Poverty Guidelines published by the federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) February 15, 2000.

Scope:

The LLSIL and Poverty Guidelines are used to establish low-income status for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I programs. Local Workforce Investment Boards need the LLSIL to determine eligibility for youth, eligibility for employed adult/dislocated workers for certain services, self-sufficiency, and for the reauthorization of the Work Opportunity Tax Credit. Local Workforce Investment Boards should consult WIA regulations and preamble for more specific guidance.

Effective Date:

The Year 2000 LLSIL became effective the date of publication in the Federal Register, May 12, 2000. The Year 2000 Poverty Guidelines were effective on the date of publication in the Federal Register, February 15, 2000.

REFERENCES:

- WIA Sections 101(24), 127(b)(2)(C), 132(b)(1)(B)(iv)(IV), and 134(d)(3)(A)(ii)
- Federal Register, Volume 65, Number 93, WIA; LLSIL (May 12, 2000)
- Federal Register, Volume 65, Number 31, Annual Update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines (February 15, 2000)

STATE-IMPOSED REQUIREMENTS:

This directive contains one State-imposed requirement.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

This directive supersedes JTPA Directive D99-2, dated July 12, 1999, and finalizes Draft Directive WIADD-2, issued for comment on June 5, 2000. Retain this directive until further notice.

BACKGROUND:

The WIA Section 101(24) provides for the use of one of two sets of data to establish whether an individual is a low-income individual. The measure used is the highest of either 70 percent of the LLSIL, determined by the Secretary of Labor, or the Poverty Guidelines, published by HHS. The WIA requires annual revisions to both sets of data.

All local workforce investment areas use the same Poverty Guidelines. However, the LLSIL identifies maximum qualifying income levels for residents in either of two broad geographic designations: metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas. Metropolitan levels apply to residents living within Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) as defined by the Office of Management and Budget. Nonmetropolitan levels apply to places with populations under 50,000. In addition to the broad metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas, the Department of Labor identifies three MSAs in California that have unique LLSILs: the San Diego MSA, the Los Angeles/Riverside/Orange County MSA, and the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose MSA.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

1. Select the appropriate table for use by your workforce investment area from the five tables on the attachment. ***(In those instances where a workforce investment area encompasses both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, the higher of the LLSIL figures has been designated for use within the entire workforce investment area.)***
2. Use the higher of either the LLSIL or the Poverty Guidelines, for the appropriate family size, to determine low-income status. A comparison of the applicant's actual family income during the six-month income determination period with the six-month figures on the charts enables the reviewer to immediately determine income status.

ACTION:

1. Notify all affected staff of the changes to the LLSIL and Poverty Guidelines in this directive.
2. Begin using the information in this directive to determine low-income as defined by WIA on July 1, 2000, or earlier if your local area elected to implement the WIA youth program prior to July 1.

INQUIRIES:

Please direct inquiries about this directive to your assigned program manager, at (916) 654-7799 or Georganne Pintar Baldwin, Local Policy Guidance Unit Manager, at (916) 654-7611.

/S/ BILL BURKE
Chief

Attachment

**2000 70 PERCENT LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL (LLSIL)
2000 POVERTY GUIDELINES**

The LLSIL and Poverty Guidelines are used to establish low-income status for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I programs. Local Workforce Investment Boards need the LLSIL to determine eligibility for youth, eligibility for employed adult/dislocated workers for certain services, self-sufficiency, and for the reauthorization of the Work Opportunity Tax Credit. Local Workforce Investment Boards should consult the WIA and its regulations and preamble for more specific guidance.

Tables 1 through 5 show the 70 percent LLSIL and the Poverty Guidelines for western metropolitan and nonmetropolitan areas, and for three specific Metropolitan Statistical Areas in California. In addition, each LLSIL table includes the 100 percent LLSIL that establishes the Department of Labor's minimum self-sufficiency levels. Each table specifies which areas encompass which workforce investment area. For a family of one, in all tables, the Poverty Guidelines exceed the 70 percent LLSIL and, therefore, should be used to establish the low-income status. For all other family sizes, the LLSILs exceed the Poverty Guidelines. The last column in each table shows the amount to be added to the figure for a family of six for each additional family member.

Since only the income received during the six-month period immediately prior to the individual's application for WIA funded services is used for income determination, each chart below shows the six-month, as well as the annual, figures for each family size. A comparison of the applicant's actual family income during the six-month income determination period with the six-month figures on the charts enables the reviewer to immediately determine a family's income.

Effective Dates: LLSIL: May 12, 2000
 Poverty Guidelines: February 15, 2000

Table 1—San Diego Metropolitan Statistical Area							
LWIAs:	San Diego						
Family Size							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each Add'l add
70% LLSIL							
Annual	\$7,640	\$12,520	\$17,190	\$21,210	\$25,040	\$29,280	\$4,240
6 Months	\$3,820	\$6,260	\$8,595	\$10,605	\$12,520	\$14,640	\$2,120
100%	\$10,910	\$17,880	\$24,550	\$30,300	\$35,760	\$41,820	\$6,060
Poverty Guidelines							
Annual	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$2,900
6 Months	\$4,175	\$5,625	\$7,075	\$8,525	\$9,975	\$11,425	\$1,450

Table 2—Los Angeles/Riverside/Orange County Metropolitan Statistical Area

LWIAs: Anaheim Carson/Lomita/Torrance Foothill Long Beach Los Angeles City			Los Angeles County Orange County Riverside County Santa Ana San Bernardino City		San Bernardino County SELACO South Bay Ventura Verdugo		
Family Size							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each Add'l add
70% LLSIL							
Annual	\$7,400	\$12,110	\$16,630	\$20,530	\$24,220	\$28,330	\$4,110
6 Months	\$3,700	\$6,055	\$8,315	\$10,265	\$12,110	\$14,165	\$2,055
100%	\$10,560	\$17,300	\$23,750	\$29,320	\$34,600	\$40,470	\$5,870
Poverty Guidelines							
Annual	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$2,900
6 Months	\$4,175	\$5,625	\$7,075	\$8,525	\$9,975	\$11,425	\$1,450

Table 3—San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Metropolitan Statistical Area

LWIAs:		Alameda Contra Costa Marin Napa NOVA	Richmond San Francisco San Jose Santa Cruz San Mateo	Solano Sonoma Oakland			
Family Size							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each Add'l add
70% LLSIL							
Annual	\$7,810	\$12,800	\$17,570	\$21,680	\$25,590	\$29,920	\$4,330
6 Months	\$3,905	\$6,400	\$8,785	\$10,840	\$12,795	\$14,960	\$2,165
100%	\$11,150	\$18,280	\$25,090	\$30,970	\$36,550	\$42,740	\$6,190
Poverty Guidelines							
Annual	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$2,900
6 Months	\$4,175	\$5,625	\$7,075	\$8,525	\$9,975	\$11,425	\$1,450

Table 4—Other Metropolitan Areas

LWIAs:	Fresno Golden Sierra Kern/Inyo/Mono Merced Monterey	NoRTEC North Central Sacramento San Joaquin Santa Barbara	Stanislaus Tulare Yolo				
Family Size							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each Add'l add
70% LLSIL							
Annual	\$7,340	\$12,020	\$16,500	\$20,370	\$24,040	\$28,110	\$4,070
6 Months	\$3,670	\$6,010	\$8,250	\$10,185	\$12,020	\$14,055	\$2,035
100%	\$10,480	\$17,170	\$23,570	\$29,090	\$34,330	\$40,150	\$5,820
Poverty Guidelines							
Annual	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$2,900
6 Months	\$4,175	\$5,625	\$7,075	\$8,525	\$9,975	\$11,425	\$1,450

Table 5—Nonmetropolitan Areas

LWIAs:	Humboldt Imperial Kings Madera Mendocino		Mother Lode San Benito San Luis Obispo				
Family Size							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Each Add'l add
70% LLSIL							
Annual	\$7,180	\$11,760	\$16,150	\$19,930	\$23,520	\$27,510	\$3,990
6 Months	\$3,590	\$5,880	\$8,075	\$9,965	\$11,760	\$13,755	\$1,995
100%	\$10,250	\$16,800	\$23,070	\$28,470	\$33,600	\$39,290	\$5,690
Poverty Guidelines							
Annual	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$2,900
6 Months	\$4,175	\$5,625	\$7,075	\$8,525	\$9,975	\$11,425	\$1,450